

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1 to 16 (cancelled)

17. (Previously presented) A switch for transmitting an electrical signal associated with a rotary coin mechanism in which a coin is conveyed about a rotational cycle, comprising

a dog disposed on a pivot, being capable of being biased to each of open and closed positions and having on each side of the pivot a finger for contacting the coin in the open position or the closed position, respectively, and

a contact housing positioned facing one of the fingers,

whereby as the coin passes one finger it pushes the dog to the closed position, closing a circuit and generating an electrical pulse at the tracking device, the dog remaining in the closed position until the coin passes the other finger and pushes the dog to the open position with the finger remote from the contacts.

18. (Previously presented) The switch of claim 17 wherein the contact housing provides a pair of contacts facing a conductive finger which contacts the pair of contacts to close the circuit.

19. (Currently amended) The switch of claim 17 wherein the dog is biased by a ~~spring-loaded~~ ball which settles into a first notch in the open position or a second notch in the closed position.

20. (Previously presented) The switch of claim 19 wherein the ball is spring-loaded.

21. (Previously presented) The switch of claim 17 wherein the dog is frictionally engaged to a hub.

22. (Previously presented) The switch of claim 17 wherein the switch delivers a signal to a tracking device.

23. (Previously presented) The switch of claim 22 wherein the coin mechanism is in a vender.